

WORK SESSION & MANAGER'S BRIEFING

The work session of the City Council was held at 10:03 p.m. in the 2nd Floor Media Room at City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Van R. Johnson, II, Presiding

Alderwoman Kesha Gibson-Carter, Post 1, Chairman

Alderwoman Alicia Miller Blakely, Post 2 Alderwoman Bernetta B. Lanier, District 1

Alderman Detric Leggett, District 2

Alderwoman Linda Wilder-Bryan, District 3

Alderman Nick Palumbo, District 4, Vice Chairman

Alderwoman Dr. Estella Edwards Shabazz, District 5, Mayor Pro-Tem

Alderman Kurtis Purtee, District 6

ALSO PRESENT:

City Manager Pat Monahan

Assistant City Manager Heath Lloyd

Chief Community Services Officer Taffanye Young

Assistant to City Manager Daphanie Williams

Interim Assistant to the City Manager Joseph Shearouse, Jr.

City Attorney Bates Lovett

Deputy City Attorney Jen Herman Clerk of Council Mark Massey

Deputy Clerk of Council Margaret Fox

AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:03 p.m.

 Coronavirus Update. (Dr. Lawson Davis, Director, Chatham County Health Department)

1A. Large Crowds on River Street. (Mayor & Aldermen)

- 2. Discussion Board Appointments. (Facilitated by Mayor Johnson)
- 3. Discussion Special Work Session Schedule. (Presented by Mayor Johnson and City Manager Monahan)



- 4. Public Safety Update. (Presented by Roy Minter, Chief of Police)
- Housing Savannah. (Presented by Mayor Johnson, Taffanye Young, Chief Community Services Officer, and Marty Fretty, Director, Housing & Neighborhood Services)
- 6. 2020 Legislative Update. (Presented by Joseph Shearouse, Jr., Interim Assistant to the City Manager)
- 7. Special Events Ordinance Presentation. (Susan Broker, Director, Special Events, Film & Tourism)
- 8. Executive Session regarding Litigation. (HELD)

Alderman Palumbo moved to recess the work session to hold a closed executive session regarding litigation, Alderwoman Miller Blakely seconded. Hearing no objections, the motion carried unanimously.

The work session ended at 1:34 p.m.

The executive session began at 1:47 p.m.

Alderman Purtee moved to adjourn the closed executive session regarding litigation, Alderman Palumbo seconded. Hearing no objections, the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Johnson adjourned the executive session at 1:58 p.m.

9. Review of Agenda. (City Manager Monahan)



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council was held at 2:07 p.m. in the City Council chambers at City Hall. Mayor Johnson requested Alderman Leggett to introduce Senior Pastor Anthony Lee Edwards of Beulah Baptist Church. Pastor Edwards then offered the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance which was recited in unison.

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AGENDA ITEMS

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Adoption of the Agenda for the March 12, 2020 City Council Regular Meeting.
 (APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY, as amended)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Approval of Minutes for the Work Session & City Manager's Briefing on February 27, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. (APPROVED #2 and #3 UNANIMOUSLY)



Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting on February 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m..
 (APPROVED #2 and #3 UNANIMOUSLY)

ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

 Approval to Amend the 2020 City Council Regular Meeting Schedule to Begin Evening Meetings at 6:30 p.m. (APPROVED #4 UNANIMOUSLY)

PRESENTATIONS

- 4.1. Recognition of Friends from Limerick, Ireland. (PRESENTED by Mayor Johnson with APPEARANCES by Deputy Mayor Adam Teskey, his brother Shane Teskey, Councillor Emmett O'Brien, his wife Georgina O'Brien, Councillor Sarah Kiely, Director of Services Brian Kennedy, and Savannah Liaison Marty Hogan)
- 5. 2020 Saint Patrick's Day Parade Permit Presentation. (PRESENTED by Mayor Johnson, with APPEARANCES by Saint Patrick's 2020 Grand Marshal Michael W. Roush, Sr., wife Renee, Dan, Michael Kelly and Tom Sullivan)
- 6. Recognition of the Public Safety Response to the Eastern Wharf Fire.

 (PRESENTED by Mayor Johnson, with APPEARANCES by Fire Chief Minard, Police Chief Minter, Pooler Mayor Rebecca Benton and emergency responders from the City, the Chatham Fire and EMS departments, the City of Pooler, the City of Garden City, and developer Trent Germano of the Mariner Group)
- Recognition of Savannah State University's Football Team on Their 2019
 Winning Season. (PRESENTED by Mayor Johnson, with APPEARANCES by
 Interim President Kimberly Ballard-Washington, Athletics Director Opio
 Mashariki, Head Football Coach Shawn Quinn, and other coaches Tom
 Sims, Trey Morgan, Russell DeMasi, Nate Baker, B.J. Johnson and Zach
 Johnson)
- 8. Appearance by Representatives from Leopold's Ice Cream and Live Oak Public Libraries to Recognize Winners of the 10th Annual Leopold's Creative Writing



Challenge. (PRESENTED by Mayor Johnson, with APPEARANCES by Mr. and Mrs. Stratton and Mary Leopold and Live Oak Libraries representatives. Whereupon, Creative Writing Challenge winners were called upon to read their work as follows:

- a. Ashley Nicole Steward, 10th Grade, Bradwell
- b. Aniya Jackson, 11th Grade, Woodville Tompkins
- c. Jakobe LaCount, 12th Grade, Woodville Tompkins
- d. Moheb Asimi, 8th Grade, Godley Station
- e. Paloma Carnes, 4th Grade, Veritas
- f. Ruby Robinson, 4th Grade, Veritas
- g. Gavin Reddick, 5th Grade, Garrison
- h. Jamirah Brown, 2nd Grade, Garrison
- i. Caroline Black, 2nd Grade, Blessed Sacrament
- j. Ariyah Richardson, 2nd Grade, Garrison
- 9. Appearance by Cheyenne Overby, Tournament Director for the Savannah Golf Championship, to Speak on the 3rd Annual Savannah Golf Championship. (REMOVED)

CONSENT AGENDA - This section shall include all routine items for which it is anticipated there will be no debate or requests for public input. Any Alderman can remove consent items for discussion or separate consideration.

- 10. Authorize the City Manager to Approve the Renewal of the MS Govern Software Annual Maintenance Agreement in the Amount of \$95,827.55 (Event No.7729). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 11. Authorize the City Manager to Execute the First Renewal of an Annual Contract with R. Jackson and Brothers Enterprise, Inc. for Mail and Courier Services in the Amount of \$85,000 (Event No. 7054). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 12. Authorize the City Manager to Renew an Annual Contract with Raymond Engineering for Roofing Design Services up to \$75,000 (Event No. 6406). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 13. Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Annual Contract with Whitaker Laboratory Inc. (primary) and Terracon Consulting Engineers and Scientists



(secondary) for Geotechnical Engineering Services up to \$75,000 (Event No.7497). **(APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)**

- 14. Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Annual Contract with Pond and Company (primary) and Raymond Engineering (secondary) for Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing Engineering Design Services up to \$75,000 (Event No.7516). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 15. Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Annual Contract with Garcia Services, LLC (SBE) for Bi-Weekly Grounds Maintenance Services at Laurel Grove South Cemetery Up To \$68,250 (Event No.7529). (APPROVED #15 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 16. Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Annual Contract for Concrete and Asphalt Crushing Services with United Grounds Maintenance Services up to \$68,125 (Event No.7499). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 17. Authorize the City Manager to Approve an Annual Maintenance Agreement with Malwarebytes for Endpoint Protection Software in the amount of \$25,000 (Event No. 7730). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 18. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 1 with Johnson-Laux Construction, LLC for the Live Oak Street Streetscape Improvements Project Reducing the Contract Amount by \$5,957.19 (Event No. 7217). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 19. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 1 with Howden Roots, LLC for Maintenance and Upgrades to Turblex Blowers at President Street in the amount of \$61,428 (Event No. 7387). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 20. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 1 with W.W. Williams for Generator Maintenance in the Amount of \$40,000 (Event No. 6931). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)



- 21. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Contract Modification No. 1 with William Scotsman, Inc. for a Mobile Office Trailer Lease for the Sanitation Department in the Amount of \$24,537.11 (Event No. 7472). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 22. Authorize the City Manager to Procure Six Rotating Scum Troughs for Public Works and Water Resources from Brentwood Industries Inc. in the Amount of \$85,800 (Event No.7742). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 23. Authorize the City Manager to Procure One Marked Police Flatbed Pickup Truck from Wade Ford (State Contract Pricing) in the Amount of \$59,276.90 (Event No. 7743). (APPROVED #10 through #14 and #16 through #23 UNANIMOUSLY)

PURCHASING ITEMS

- 24. Authorize the City Manager to Execute the First Renewal of an Annual Contract for Late Night Alternative Transportation with Downtowner in the Amount of \$588,000 (Event No. 5816). (APPROVED #24 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 25. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Construction/Beautification Contract for the Gwinnett Street Project, to Include Widening, Bridge Replacement and Sidewalk and Bike Lane Additions, with Preferred Materials, Inc. in the Amount of \$13,662,942.10 (Event No.7466). (APPROVED #25 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 26. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Two-Year Contract with Kolcun Tree Care, LLC., Gunnison Tree Specialist, and Custom Tree Care, Inc. for Tree Pruning Services in the Amount of \$700,000 per Year (Event No.7517).

 (APPROVED #26, #27, and #30 through #33 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 27. Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Annual Contract with Online Solutions, LLC, DBA Citizenserve for a Web-Based Code Enforcement Case Management Software in the Amount of \$202,000 (Event No. 7434). (APPROVED #26, #27, and #30 through #33 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 28. Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Annual Contract with Collins Engineers, Inc. (Primary) and Thompson Engineering (Secondary) for Structural



Engineering Services up to \$150,000 (Event No.7502). (APPROVED #28 UNANIMOUSLY)

- 29. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract for City Manager Recruitment Services with Ralph Andersen & Associates in the Amount of \$35,000 (Event No. 7198). (APPROVED #29 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 30. Authorize the Authorize the City Manager to Procure an Emergency Backup Stand-By Pump for Lift Station 35 from Xylem Dewatering Solutions, Inc. in the Amount of \$141,698.83 (Event No.7740). (APPROVED #26, #27, and #30 through #33 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 31. Authorize the City Manager to Procure Two Marked Police Pickup Trucks and Two 15-Passenger Vans from Wade Ford (State Contract Pricing) in the Amount of \$122,289.60 (Event No. 7732). (APPROVED #26, #27, and #30 through #33 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 32. Authorize the City Manager to Procure Roof Replacement Services for the Paulsen Athletic Building from F.H. Paschen S. N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC (State Contract Pricing) in the amount of \$114,532 (Event No. 7741).

 (APPROVED #26, #27, and #30 through #33 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 33. Authorize City Manager to Procure Demolition Services from Johnson-Laux Construction, LLC in the Amount of \$80,915.95 to Clear Rights of Way for DeLesseps Road Widening Project (Event No. 7753). (APPROVED #26, #27, and #30 through #33 UNANIMOUSLY)

SAVANNAH AIRPORT COMMISSION

- 34. Approval to Support the 2020 Conde Nast and Travel and Leisure Advertising Campaigns in Partnership with the Hilton Head Island Bluffton Chamber of Commerce in the Amount of \$300,000. (APPROVED #34 through #42 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 35. Approval to Procure YCD Cnario Software and Hardware from Infax, Inc. in the Amount of \$119,355. (APPROVED #34 through #42 UNANIMOUSLY)



- 36. Approval to Procure Three Mid-Size SUV's from Alan Jay Automotive Management in the Amount of \$93,489 (Event No. 7657). **(APPROVED #34 through #42 UNANIMOUSLY)**
- 37. Approval to Procure One 4x4 Cab Tractor from Blanchard Equipment in the Amount of \$79,915.79 (Event No. 7669). (APPROVED #34 through #42 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 38. Approval to Execute a Contract with Boiler Equipment Company for the Upgrade of Kewanee Boilers Upgrade in the Amount of \$68,400 (Event No. 7606).

 (APPROVED #34 through #42 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 39. Approval to Execute a Contract with CHA for Civil Engineering and Design Services in the Amount of \$66,500 (Event No. 7651). (APPROVED #34 through #42 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 40. Approval to Procure a Primary Chill Water Pump Replacement from Mock Plumbing & Mechanical, Inc. in the Amount of \$57,000. (APPROVED #34 through #42 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 41. Approval to Procure Two Half-Ton Pickup Trucks from Alan Jay Automotive in the Amount of \$46,892 (Event No. 7666). Approval to Procure One Three-Quarter-Ton 4x4 Pickup Truck with Service Body from Roberts Truck Center in the Amount of \$36,380.56 (Event No. 7658). (APPROVED #34 through #42 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 42. Approval to Procure One Three-Quarter-Ton 4x4 Pickup Truck with Service Body from Roberts Truck Center in the Amount of \$36,380.56 (Event No. 7658). (APPROVED #34 through #42 UNANIMOUSLY)



BOARD APPOINTMENTS

43. Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Authorities. (APPROVED #43 a. through n. UNANIMOUSLY. Letters o. through s. were APPROVED individually)

Mayor Johnson announced the following recommendations, in group, achieved through consensus during the Work Session:

- a. Reappoint Patrick C. Monahan to serve on the <u>Chatham County/City</u> of Savannah Landbank Authority;
- b. Appoint Raymond Gaddy, Lu Fang, Sharon Wanda Aikens, Michael Chaney, Taqwaa Saleem, Antonio Hunter, Curt Bryant and Robin Sherman to serve on the <u>Cultural Affairs Commission</u>;
- c. Appoint Rebecca Fenwick, T. Jerry Lominack, Kendra Clark, Vernon Jones, Virginia Mobley, Chelsea Jackson-Greene, Robin Williams, Darren Bagley-Heath and J. Haley Swindle to serve on the <u>Historic</u> Preservation Commission;
- d. Reappoint Dwayne Stephens and appoint Steven Bodek to serve on the <u>Historic District Board of Review;</u>
- e. Reappoint Dr. Deanna Cross, Amy Lee Copeland, Mary Ann Mock, and Grace H. Taylor, and appoint Jose de Arimateia da Cruz, Taqwaa Saleem and Leonard K. McCoy to serve on the <u>Hospital Authority of</u> Savannah;
- f. Appoint Adriana Tatum-Howard, Jay Maupin, Miriam Munn, William Eason, Sr. and RaMona Drayton Jackson to serve on <u>Keep Savannah</u> Beautiful;
- g. Appoint Erika Archibald to serve on the Park and Tree Commission;
- h. Reappoint Christopher Desa to serve on the Pilotage Commission;
- i. Appoint Mark Douglas to serve on the <u>Savannah/Chatham Board of Health;</u>
- j. Appoint Eva Joseph, Yolandra Shipp, Antonio Hunter and Shenequa Gresham to serve on the <u>Savannah-Chatham Council of Disability Issues</u>;
- k. Reappoint Kristopher Monroe to serve on the <u>Savannah/Chatham</u> County Historic Sites and Monuments Commission (HS&M);
- I. Appoint Jacquelyn Sumpter and Terry McCoy to serve on the <u>Savannah Recreation Commission</u>;
- m. Reappoint Gene Prevatt (as Sanitation Director) to serve on the Savannah Resource Recovery Development Authority; and,



n. Appoint James Parks (District 2) and James Casey (District 6) to serve on the <u>Traffic Calming Committee.</u>

Then Mayor Johnson facilitated the consideration and approval of the following nominations, individually, as discussed during the Work Session:

- o. Reappoint Clinton Edminster to serve on the <u>Chatham Area Transit</u> <u>Authority (CAT)</u>;
- p. Appoint Tia Brightwell to serve on the <u>Coastal Workforce</u> <u>Development Board (CWDB)</u>;
- q. Reappoint Kim Jackson-Allen, and appoint John Ruehl and Leonard K. McCoy to serve on the Economic Opportunity Authority;
- r. Appoint Mark Douglas to serve on the <u>Housing Authority of Savannah</u>; and,
- s. Reappoint Shirley B. James to serve on the <u>Savannah Airport</u> <u>Commission.</u>

ALCOHOLIC LICENSE HEARINGS

- 44. Approval of a Class C (Beer, Wine)(By the Drink) Alcohol License with Sunday Sales to Wesly S. Johnson of Rise Biscuits & Donuts at 10 W. Broughton St. (Aldermanic District 2). (HEARINGS CONDUCTED for #44 through #48 and APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY)
- 45. Approval of a Class C (Beer, Wine)(By the Drink) Alcohol License with Sunday Sales to Jonathan Tsui of Yatai at 10 Barnard St. (Aldermanic District 2). (HEARINGS CONDUCTED for #44 through #48 and APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY)
- 46. Approval to Add Sunday Sales to the Existing Class C (Liquor, Beer, Wine) (By the Drink) Alcohol License for Colleen K. Smith of Cohen's Retreat at 5715 Skidaway Rd. (Aldermanic District 4). (HEARINGS CONDUCTED for #44 through #48 and APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY)
- 47. Approval of a Class C (Liquor, Beer, Wine)(By the Drink) Alcohol License with Sunday Sales to Kelly Lefferts of Outback Steakhouse at 11196 Abercorn St. (Aldermanic District 6). (HEARINGS CONDUCTED for #44 through #48 and APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY)



48. Approval of a Class C (Liquor, Beer, Wine) Alcohol License with Sunday Sales to Xian Zi Wu of Sushi Hana at 18 East Broughton St. (Aldermanic District 2). (HEARINGS CONDUCTED for #44 through #48 and APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY)

ORDINANCES - FIRST AND SECOND READING

- 49. An Ordinance to Amend the Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance to Include State Authorized Exceptions for Publicly Operated Stadiums, Coliseums and Auditoriums. (APPROVED #49 UNANIMOUSLY, after the first reading was considered the second reading)
- 50. An Amendment to the Festival Ordinance to Invoke a Curfew. (Alternative ACTION TAKEN with respect to the proposed Ordinance)

Alderman Purtee moved to define a controlled zone, that the first reading being considered the second reading and an ordinance be placed and passed upon its adoption, seconded by Alderman Palumbo:

As the area of East Broad Street on the east, the Savannah River on the north, Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. to Bay Lane to Fahm Street to River Street on the west, and Broughton Lane from Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard to the east side of Drayton Street to Bay Lane to East Broad Street

The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

- 51. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Make an Application to the State Of Georgia for Reimbursement of \$1,184,144.58 from the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund for Costs Associated With Site Remediation, Related Work Costs, and Corrective Action Plan Amendments for the Deptford Tract Site (HSI# 10179) and to Accept Such Reimbursement upon Approval of the Environmental Protection Division. (APPROVED #51 UNANIMOUSLY)
- 52. Temporary Stay for 120 Days on Enforcement of the Archaeology Resource Protection Ordinance. (APPROVED #52 UNANIMOUSLY)



- 53. Resolution Imposing a Temporary Stay for 90 Days on the Issuance of Certain Alcoholic Beverage Licenses Within Certain Portions of the 5th Aldermanic District. (REMOVED, as requested by Mayor Pro-Tem Dr. Shabazz with a request for staff to review the City Code and propose an ordinance for consideration by the City Council that eliminates the issuance of new alcoholic beverage licenses within the four alcohol overlay districts in the 1st and 5th Districts, and such ordinance by presented to the City Council no later than the second meeting in April)
- 54. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Various 2019 Capital Budget Adjustments. (APPROVED #54 UNANIMOUSLY)

AGREEMENTS

55. Approval of a Water and Sewer Agreement with Enmark Stations, Inc. for Enmark US Hwy 17 - Rebuild. (APPROVED #55 UNANIMOUSLY)

REAL ESTATE ITEMS

- 56. Approval to Authorize the City Manager to Enter into a Billboard Lease with Lamar Companies at 1809 West US Hwy 80 (PIN 60827 01004). (NO ACTION TAKEN, STAFF WILL NEGOTIATE OPTIONS)
- 57. Approval of Petition #190496 for Tieback Anchors Encroachment at 110 and 111 Ann Street (PIN: 20016 21001 & 20016 20001). (APPROVED #57 UNANIMOUSLY)

CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

58. Settlement #1.

Motion to Authorize City Attorney's Office to Resolve Claim of <u>Arneshia Jacobs</u> in the Amount of <u>\$80,000.00</u>. (APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY)

59. Settlement #2.

Motion to Authorize City Attorney's Office to Resolve Claim of <u>Trevor Cannon</u> in the Amount of \$300,000.00. (APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY)



60. Settlement #3.

Motion to Authorize City Attorney's Office to Resolve Claim of <u>Josey Shepperd</u> in the Amount of <u>\$300,000.00</u> and conveyance of adjacent <u>property.</u> (APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY)

Mayor Johnson thanked staff and asked that everyone keep the City in their prayers as we navigate matters concerning the Coronavirus, COVID-19.

Alderwoman Miller Blakely announced that the Governor is expected to make an announcement at 6:00 p.m.

Hearing no further business, Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting at 4:52 p.m.